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In re application of:

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Title: **Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other  
Molecules Associated with Plants**

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Examiner: Juliet C. EINSMANN

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**Request for Deletion of Inventor**

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b), Applicant's representative hereby requests that David K. Kovalic, correctly named as an inventor in the above-captioned application as filed, be deleted as a result of the inventor's invention no longer being claimed. In response to the restriction requirement imposed by the Office in the Office Action mailed September 19, 2001, and made final in the Office Action mailed September 20, 2002, claims directed to subject matter invented by David K. Kovalic have been cancelled in the accompanying Amendment and Response filed herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) be charged to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.132.

Respectfully submitted,

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